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NOTICES.

NOTICE.

I HEREBY GIVE NOTICE THAT FROM
THIS DAY forward I will no longer receive
any debts incurred by Henry Grubell (my late
Steward), in my name.

A. J. INNES,
Comptroller.

NOTICE.

M. R. G. NORRIS IS AUTHORIZED TO
call all outstanding accounts due to the
estate of W. M. Seaby, and unless the debts are
paid at once proceedings will be taken to enforce
payment.

W. C. WARD,
MATTHEW T. JOHNSTON,
Assessors.

PUBLIC NOTICE.

COLLIN'S OVERLAND TELEGRAPH!
Western Union Telegraph Extension
COMPANY.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, TO ALL
THAT THE OVERLAND TELEGRAPH COMPANY, I
am informed, which the said Company I
will, and will not be responsible for any debts
incurred by any person whomsoever, unless
such debts shall have been reviewed,
exempted, or otherwise provided for, and
that the said Company, will alone be em-
powered to contract and do it on behalf of the Com-
pany, and to receive payment thereon, in the same
order of the said said James Douglas.

Dated at Victoria this 11th day of April, A.D.
1866.

EDWARD CONWAY,
Assistant Engineer.

NOTICE.

THE PARTNERSHIP HITHERTO
existing between Mr. John Howard and John
M. Howard and Elbridge Berry Scamell, as
Hotel and Saloon keepers at the "King's Head"
and "The Royal Hotel," Victoria, is to-day dis-
solved by mutual consent.

It is Scamell's intention to pay off debts due
to him by the 1st of May, and will continue
with the business on his sole account.

Dated 7th April, 1866.

J. HOWARD,
M. D. BERRY SCAMMELL,
Witness—Robert Glassop, Solicitor.

NOTICE.

WILLIAM BROWN & STEWARD
Agents of the Canadian Government of San Juan
and Pacific streets. Please call immediately at
the office of the British Colonist,

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NOTICE.

MR. WALTER WATKIN IS HEREBY
notified that his IX PARCELS and contents
are stored with us in April, 1864, are not called
for within thirty days from date, they will be sold
for price charged.

PERCIE & SEYMOUR,
Victoria, V. I., March 26th, 1866.

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By order of His Excellency the Governor, ALEXANDER WATSON, Treasurer.

Treasury, 13th April, 1866.

The Bowling Saloon, WADDINGTON ALLEY, known by the name of WELL, acts as Sub-Accountant in winding up the above estate.

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Up till last Monday no person had heard of a bill to break public contracts by act of the Legislature, but Mr. Cochrane, on that eventful day, broached the question in the House by giving notice that he would ask leave to introduce a bill to prevent the Government fulfilling their obligations to the purchasers of lots at the Sheriff's sale of April last. Other members would have allowed the usual day or so to intervene before asking leave of the House, but Mr. Cochrane was determined to take time by the forelock, and so he asked for the suspension of the rules, in order that he might obtain leave to bring in the bill and pass it the same day on which the first intimation of the measure was given. Of course members who saw great objections in suspending the rules for the transaction of business that had received ample discussion, were only glad of an opportunity to suspend the rules on a question that had never the slightest chance of being discussed, and which aimed at nothing else than a breach of faith with the public. Hitherto the rules of the House had never been suspended on a subject that had not been introduced in the usual form, and on which the members had not had an opportunity of debating. In this instance, however, the whole question was buried, and members who chanced to be absent on the day of its introduction were astonished to find in the evening paper that the bill had passed through all its stages and had gone to the Upper House.—We bring the case forward to show the duplicity of some of those gentlemen who have on previous occasions expressed their adherence of suspending the rules—those choice and fastidious spirits who stumble at the guan

THE BRITISH COLONIST

Saturday Morning, April 21, 1866.

COMMERCIAL

AUCTION SALES THIS DAY.

DALENT SCOTT & CO. will sell, at 11 o'clock, a.m., on the premises known as the Tap Hotel, Johnson street, all the Stock-in-Trade, including all sorts of Liquors, Furniture, Bar Fixtures, Eight-Day Clock, Mirror, etc. Also, Lease of the House.

J. P. DAVIES & CO. will sell at 11 o'clock, at saleroom, Wharf street, superior Household Furnishings, fine line of Books, Fancy Goods, Cutlery, Plated Ware, Furs, etc.

EXPORTS.

Pear sloops THORNTON, to Burrard's Inlet—1000 lbs. apples, 1 cwt. 1 doce coffee, 1 bbl butter, 67 pds buttering, 210 do piping, 5 cwt cloves, 6 do shoes, 1 bbl, 1 bag, 25 do galvanized roofing iron.

MARINE INTELLIGENCE.

ENTRED.—April 20—Sch Black Diamond, McCulloch; Nainamo Bark Metropolis, Howard, Mexico Slip Ocean Queen, Watkins, San Juan CLEARED.

April 20—Slip Thornton, Warner, Burrard Inlet Slip Lady Franklin, Pritchard, San Juan

ALLEGED LARCENY.

Two men named S. Williams and G. Hogan (colored) were charged at the police court yesterday with stealing a gun and two pairs of pants from a shanty on Fort street.

The prosecutor stated that he left his house on Easter Sunday, and on returning three days subsequently found the articles missing. It was informed that Hogan had been seen with a gun of that description. Hogan said he knew nothing of the gun, it belonged to Williams, and asked for a remand to obtain professional assistance. Williams said he saw the gun and pants in the possession of Hogan, who went hunting with the gun and said he had borrowed it. The bench remanded the accused until Monday next.

FORFEITED PROPERTY.

The bill introduced by Mr. Cochrane in the House of Assembly with the amendments made by the Legislative Council was yesterday thrown out, as will be seen by the report elsewhere, of the most interesting debate that has taken place in the House for a long period. The period for redemption of the sales made by the Sheriff was extended to May 1st, and on and after Tuesday the Sheriff will be required to give absolute title to the purchasers of the forfeited lands. We believe all right thinking men will cordially approve of the action taken by the House yesterday.

SUPREME COURT—*Mercury vs. Copland.*

This case was resumed yesterday before His Honor the Chief Justice and Jury. The defendant was cross-examined at considerable length and the jury, after hearing the address of counsel and the Judge's charge, retired and deliberated for about three quarters of an hour, when they returned into Court with a verdict for the defendant of \$100 damages, the charge of fraud not proven.

THE "VERANDAH."

W. H. Wheeler, proprietor of the Veranda Saloon, Johnson street, appeared before the police magistrate yesterday, charged with keeping a common gambling house. The informant did not appear, and the bench postponed the case for three days. Wheeler desired to make a statement to the court but the magistrate refused to hear him.

THE DAL NOME.

The Enterprise brought no further word of the sailing of the Dal NOME on Tuesday last for this port, but the wires were down and there is still a possibility that she may make her appearance to day or tomorrow, although we understand that her agent here has no intimation of her departure.

ALDAN COPPER CO.

A small quantity of the ore recently brought from this mine has been sent for assay to the Government Assay Office at New Westminster, and the managers have received a certificate stating that it contains thirty per cent. of copper.

EXPENSIVE SALA.

Messrs. J. E. Davies & Co. will sell to day, at their auction room, a large quantity of fancy goods, stationery, cutlery, plated ware, furs, dry goods, perfume, guns, musical instruments, watches, books, and sundry articles enumerated in their advertisement.

THE TAP HOTEL.

Messrs. Daniel Scott & Co. will sell to day, on the premises, the stock in trade, consisting of liquors, furniture, bar fixtures, etc., together with the lease of the above establishment.

LOSS OF THE LABOUCHERE.

The steamer Enterprise will probably bring 10-day from New Westminster full details of the recent and loss of this valuable steamer.

FOR NEW WESTMINSTER.

The steamer Enterprise left yesterday morning for Fraser River with about 50 passengers and considerable freight.

ANNIVERSARY.

Yesterday was the 58th birthday of Louis Napoleon, Emperor of the French.

FELD & CO.

Are prepared to supply miners and travelers with every description of groceries and provisions put up in convenient sized packages for transmission to any part of this or the sister Colony, at the lowest Free Port prices. Particular attention is paid to the selection of goods for the Big Bend and Bridge River markets, and parties desiring to procure supplies for those mines may rely upon getting a superior article at our store. Coffee roasted and prepared on an improved principle; and Spices, guaranteed free from adulteration, may be had in any desired quantity. FELD & CO., Coffee and Spice Merchants and Family Grocers, Yates street, Victoria, V. I. * 3m

NEW WESTMINSTER.

Miners and others going to Big Bend or Bridge River will find Hicks' Hotel (which is now kept by W. E. Sigin, formerly of the Hot Springs,) one of the best and cleanest houses in the city—Meals and Beds at 50 cents each, and Drinks 12½ cents. * 3m

CAUTION TO MINERS GOING TO BIG BEND.

No one should start for these mines without being quite sure that his teeth are in good order. F. W. Cave, Dentist, Trounce Ally, opposite the Coloxer office, is still practising his profession at English prices. *

PRINCE OF WALES.

Oxford Hats, received per "Domina" from Townend & Co., London—A fine invoice of the above very stylish and fashionable Hat—ADAMS, Pioneer Hatter, Government street and Trounce Alley.

MR. W. D. MOSS.

Mr. W. D. Moss will remain in Victoria until April 20th, and will be happy to wait upon ladies and gentlemen who may require his services at their residences. *

MAY DAY.—The Fire Department have decided upon having their usual parade on the first of May before His Excellency the Governor.

CAPT. DEVEREUX has been appointed to the command of the steamer Thames bound for Honolulu.

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY.

FRIDAY, April 20.

The Speaker took his seat at 1:15 p.m. Present: Messrs. DeCosmos, Powell, Trimble, McClure, Dickson, Ash, Cochrane, Carswell.

THE ENTRANT'S SALE BILL.

A message was received from the Council sending down the amendments to Mr. Cochrane's bill attending the Real Estate Tax Act.

Mr. DeCosmos looked upon the bill as amended so a money bill which could not emanate from the House above.

Mr. Ash agreed with the senior member that the bill as amended could be construed as nothing less than a money bill.

The Speaker in the meantime referred to the Committee Room to pass a regalia, which left the promoters of the bill under the full assurance that they had a majority.

Clause 1.—Dr. Dickson moved it carried.

Mr. Trimble resumed his seat and said he should now decline to act, he was, however, soon induced to change his mind, and taking the chair with a confident air remarked that "it was all right anyhow, as it was a case of a casting vote, and they would carry the bill." (Laughter.)

Mr. Trimble called the hon. gentleman to account for his unparliamentary language. This was a deliberative Assembly, and a question was supposed to be settled on its merits.

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Mr. McClure opposed the clause. It proposed for the sake of benefiting some ten or twelve individuals to violate a solemn compact, and would serve to injure the Government to an extent that ten times the amount would be required to pay off the debt.

Mr. DeCosmos thought that the Council might with equal propriety alter the loan bill of £40,000, and change the rate of interest. There was some justice in indemnifying innocent persons who may have been wronged through ignorance, but the mode of procedure proposed was unconstitutional, and breaking faith with the Government.

Mr. Trimble questioned whether ignorance what was a money bill.

The Speaker said it was a bill that formed a part of the revenue system.

Mr. McClure maintained that the House could not enact the bill sent down.

The only course would be for the promoters of the Assembly as to initiate a money bill.

Mr. Trimble did not look upon the bill in the light of a money bill, the Assembly bill had been withdrawn with the rest.

Mr. DeCosmos agreed with his colleague for the city in suggesting that a new bill be brought in.

Clauses had occurred in England where bills had been sent down from the House of Lords to the Commons, which were regarded as money bills, and were allowed to allow to lie on the table while the Commons themselves originated and passed similar bills. It was the only constitutional way of getting over the difficulty.

Mr. Cochrane suggested that the House might be benefited by the House of Commons to give it a money bill.

Mr. Trimble argued in favor of the clause.

Mr. DeCosmos said it was needless to go over all the irrefutable arguments that he had advanced by the hon. member for Saanich.

Mr. Dicksen rose and objected to the proceeding.

He defied the hon. gentleman (Mr. Cochrane) to say that he had no vote in that House.

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LIST OF SUBSCRIPTIONS

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DONATIONS,

FOR THE

ROYAL HOSPITAL,

VICTORIA, V. I.

From 1st January, to 31st December, 1855.

Anderson & Co.	\$ 10,00	Mr. DONA
Anderson, A. C.	5	
Austin, A. R.	10	
Baird, Mr.	5	
Boscowitz Brothers	5	
Bowman, J. G.	5	
Bozman, J. O.	2,60	
Brown, Dr.	5	
Brockway, W. H.	5	
Bishop, Hobt. Mrs.	5	
Brooks & Granchi	10	
Campbell, Mr.	5	
Cochrane, J. J. M. L.	5	
Chilovich, C.	5	
Charles, William	2,60	
Collier, John	5	
Fidge, Mrs.	5	
Jenner, Rev. Bishop	20	
Drake & Jackson	5	
Dickson, James & Co.	20	
Dickson, James	5	
Davis, J. H.	5	
Doolan, Rev. A.	25	
Douglas, Rev. A.	5	
Douglas, Rev. A. Nas	5	
Ella, Cap.	5	
Evans, Rev. Dr.	5	
Fitzgerald, Mr.	5	
Franklin, S. L. A.	5	
Henderson & Burnaby	5	
Hibben & Carswell	10	
Hudson Bay Co.'s	2,60	
Hudson Bay Co.'s	100	
Jackson, E. H.	5	
Jackson, F. Rhodes	60	
Kaumeyer, G. W.	5	
Kennedy, His Excellency Gov	20	
Lowe, Thomas	5	
Lewis, George	5	
Lewis, George	5	
Lane D. M.	10	
Lewis, P.	5	
Leverett, D.	5	
Lowe Bros.	10	
Lamon, H.	5	
McNeil Capt.	5	
McPherson, J.	10	
McQuade, Peter	5	
McCright, Mr.	7,50	
Mackay, Capt.	5	
Moutz, Capt.	5	
Mayor of Victoria	5	
Manette, F.	5	
McDann, T. H.	5	
Nicholson, J.	5	
Nathan, H.	10	
Nicholson, J.	2,60	
Nesbit, Sam'l	5	
Naylor, Sheriff	5	
Pendergast C. C.	5	
Pemberton, A.	10	
Pemberton, A. F.	5	
Pearkes & Green	5	
Pearce, W. W.	5	
Powers, Dr. L. A.	5	
Penson & Bro. E.	5	
Reinhart, Mr.	20	
Ridout, A. K.	10	
Ridout, J. M.	10	
Robertson, J. H.	10	
Robertson, J. H.	10	
Stamp, Capt.	5	
Stewart, W. F. M. A.	5	
Tait, John	2,50	
Thorne, C.	2,60	
Wyllie, C. G.	5	
Watson, Hon. A.	5	
Wilkins, John	5	
Wiltshire, Thomas	2,50	
Work John	5	
Wallace, Geo.	2,50	
Wood, H. T. L.	5	
Wood, H. T. L.	5	
Wilson, A. & W.	5	
Wootton, A.	5	
Wakeford, Hon. H.	5	
Young, W. A. G.	10	
Total, \$909.62	\$110.00	
100.00	\$10.00	
\$105.62		

LIST OF DONATIONS BY AND FOR LATE INMATES.		
Slip General Wynyard, an Englishman	\$ 50	
do Knight-Dyke, for Crosses	10	
do Princess Royal, for Gifford	34.60	
do do do	13	
do do do Nowaski	27.50	
do do do	10	
Janion Green & Rhodes, for Inmates	35	
R. Winter, late Inmate	10	
H. Brooks, late Inmate	10	
Geo. Reed, late Inmate	20	
Total, \$234.60		
100.00		
\$105.62		

ROYAL HOSPITAL, VICTORIA, V. I.

Statement of Assets and Liabilities as on 31st December, 1854.

I. ASSETS.

(Exclusive of Buildings, Furniture, Bedding, &c.)

Cash in Treasurer's hands... \$ 912.26

Amount due by Female Aid

Assessments

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